

The Winfield Courier seems apprehensive that the EAGLE's star-eyed goddess of reform is at best but a slow-going jade. We admit she is no wild-eyed crank, all wings and no steering apparatus. This country, friend Millington, is much more likely to be rent violently to pieces by extreme radicalism than it is to die of quiescence. We, as a people, have more to fear from excessiveness than from conservatism. Conservatism is a break that should be applied to American affairs generally just now, to her legislation, churches, schools, society and homes. The acquisition by the government of the telegraph lines of the country would be followed by the acquisition of a transcontinental railway line, and then by other lines, and where will you stop. If the general government is allowed to monopolize such interests what is to become of individual enterprise and its incentive. America to-day leads the world only in those matters which have been developed by individual enterprise. There is not a thing in which this country glories that is not the direct result of individual enterprise. If we lead all the rest of the world in making wealth rapidly in our inventions, in our lines of transportation in the productions of our soil, in general intelligence, this leadership all comes directly of the encouragement of individual enterprise. Government control cuts off individual effort and leads to unions, co-operative efforts and communism. Co-operative rules applied to our social system means the destruction of homes and is a black curse.

No, Mr. Courier, if the general government is allowed to take a hand in the management of our industries then instead of fifty or a hundred millions of men and women in the United States, prosperous and happy, and bright from emulation, we will have that many more children—mere dependents tending to thriftlessness and imbecility.

BEN. BUTLER.
Calamities never come singly. The Wall street troubles were followed up on Thursday by a frost in Illinois, and by the nomination of Benjamin F. Butler for President by the national convention at Indianapolis, composed of greenbackers, woman suffragists, labor-reformers, a woman politician and dozens of cranks. Ben. having successfully puffed all the odds and ends, has turned his glittering eye towards the democratic convention, which meets in Chicago. He does not propose to take "no" for an answer. His friends claim that he is now in a position to command recognition, or to raise thunder with the democratic ducks generally. The democrats will find him a regular old man of the sea, whose legs are in a better condition for vigorous kicking than those dangling at the lower extremity of old Unfract's body.

NOT MUCH.
The editor of the Kansas Chief, Sol. Miller, is slightly off on his criticism touching what the EAGLE said one day about the business men's meeting in New York and what it said the next. The first article alluded to was not an editorial, but a contribution and so marked, distinctly. Our experience as a Federal officer holder is that Arthur's administration has been very clear of dictation and assessments. So far as we know, he and his have lived strictly up to the civil service rules.

One suggestion further and which ought to relieve us from all such imputations as the one suggested by the Chief. The editor of the EAGLE has not been for Arthur as a first choice, and we have not been backward about telling the people so. While we recognize the wonderful unanimity of the business men for him, and the wonderful unanimity of the politicians for Blaine, the EAGLE has and has been all the while for Trenchard.

SUPPRESSION OF THE MORMONS.
The Rev. Joseph Cook, of Boston, preached in Chicago Sunday on the best means to be taken to suppress Mormonism in Utah. He said that the territory should be temporarily governed by a commission; that the Mormon immigration should be sent back as prospective violators of the law; and that information concerning the true character of Mormonism should be scattered in those districts of Norway, Sweden and Denmark where most of the recruits are obtained.

Mrs. Robert Burdette died at Ardmore, Penn., on Sunday and thus ends one of the purest and sweetest relationships between husband and wife ever known in this world of ours. Mrs. Burdette was, her married life, a helpless invalid, who never could walk alone, and at times could scarcely move at all. Yet, in spite of pain and the weariness it brings and which is harder to bear, there was not in the land a happier wife, and this from the constant and unwavering affection of her husband. Thousands who know the husband and who knew the wife through him, will extend him in this hour of grief their heartiest sympathy.

We won't say sure, but it looks very much as though the Leavenworth Times is against Col. John A. Martin for governor, for what else could that paper mean by endorsing Martin in a matter or position to which Martin does not hold.

The boom for Col. John A. Martin for governor of Kansas appears to have taken a fresh impulse of late. If the convention were to meet to-morrow he would be nominated by a two-thirds vote, and there does not seem to be any indication that his strength will diminish.—K. C. Journal.

All the editors are now taking a rest, and the new ticket will be made by the Chicago convention.

AN APPEAL ANSWERED.

There is no other humbug going that is equal to the tariff agitation humbug.

Of course there are some men in it who sincerely believe that it is a matter of importance. The Hon. Henry Waterson is one of these, and the Hon. Wm. Morrison is also earnest in his convictions; but certain politicians and speculators are too much for their simple honesty.

The only practical purpose in raising the tariff ramparts in congress at this time has been to make the Hon. John G. Carlisle a greater man than he could otherwise have become. Col. Morrison had doubtless been led to believe that his own distinction would likewise be increased thereby; but this was an essential part of the programme.

Free trade is out of the question. It can't get itself enacted. Nobody ever believed that even that diluted, incoherent, illogical, and preposterous phantom of an effect of free trade, the Morrison bill, could be enacted into law. Everybody knew beforehand that it was doomed to defeat in the senate, if not in the house, and in the executive mansion, if not in the halls of congress.

There was no reason for it, then, except to promote some purpose of personal ambition and private speculation. The personal ambition which could be promoted was the ambition of the Hon. John G. Carlisle; the speculation was that of the whiskey men and the lottery men.

That is the whole of the story; and in its development, free traders, whiskey men, lottery men, big appropriation men, such as those who hover around the levees of the Mississippi, and all the jobbers, with the personal enemies of Sam Randall and of his ideas of economy and reform, all combined together; and now, after they are defeated, the only practical result of the whole thing is that the democratic party has thrown away its best chance of carrying the Presidential election, and stands in a state of despondency and doubt that is almost despair, where before there was every reason for hope and confidence.

Here now comes the Hon. Henry Waterson, and appeals to us in a most affecting manner to know why we have said that the democratic party cannot carry the country on the new Kentucky platform. We answer that we have never said any such thing. We have not discussed the Kentucky platform. We take no interest in it. It is a sham. It is not for free trade; it is not for protection. It is gush and gammon mixed. It is a jumble, and a verbose and tedious kind of juggle at that.

What we want is frank and manly treatment of this subject. The democracy must decide whether they will declare in favor of leaving the tariff undisturbed as an impracticable issue at present, or whether they will make their battle upon it. If they leave it undisturbed, they may be beaten. If they make a square and earnest battle in favor of the Free Trade idea, they are, in our judgment, sure to be beaten.

The situation is greatly changed from what it was a year ago. The democracy has been overthrown in the home of its friends—overthrown by Mr. Waterson and his followers; and it cannot be restored by any such verbiage as that of the Kentucky platform.—New York (Dem.) Sun.

CROP PROSPECTS.

The condition of winter wheat in Kansas as reported by the department of agriculture is most favorable, and it further says, wheat has been steadily improving since the opening of spring, there having been up to this date no adverse conditions. The most serious drawback to the cultivation of wheat in this State, heretofore, has been the dry and windy weather during March and the early portion of April. The rainfall in March of this year exceeded the average for that month for the past seventeen years, and there were but few high winds. The rainfall for April was 5.82 inches, while the average of the past seventeen Aprils was only 3.14 inches. This unusual rainfall has been so evenly distributed, both as to territory and times, that there have been no serious overflows, and no losses from this source. Although this cool and moist weather has retarded spring work, yet the wheat plant has been growing slowly and vigorously. There has been an entire absence of insect enemies, and no danger from this source is apprehended. The portion of the State wherein lies the great bulk of the acreage has had, from sowing time until now, nothing but the best conditions, and an extraordinary crop is confidently looked for. If this expectation is not realized, it will be on account of disaster between now and harvest.—Leavenworth Times.

THE LATEST NEWS.

The Wichita Daily Eagle now arrives here on the early morning cannon ball, getting here several hours in advance of all other dailies, and giving the latest associated press dispatches to our citizens a few hours after the papers come from the press.—Sedgewick City Postgraph.

At Atchison, yesterday, at a business meeting of the Congregational church, Rev. F. J. Ingalls, a brother of the senator, resigned his pastorate. He had been contemplating this action for several weeks. He recently received a call from Emporia, but states that he has not fully decided that he will go there. He leaves under the protest of the entire church and it should be said that there was no cause of dissatisfaction. He thinks a wider field of usefulness is open to him and that he has done all the good he can at Atchison. His resignation takes effect July 1. It is generally believed that he will go to Emporia about September 1.

The Daily Eagle of Wichita, is a daisy and no mistake. The secret of its excellence can be easily explained. In the first place, it has a competent head, and in the second place—the condition equally as indispensable—it is published in a live town. The business men of Wichita are awake to their best interests, as the advertising columns of the Eagle abundantly testify. They are also awake in Harper as testified daily by the g. and o.—Harper Graphic.

The democrats for twenty years took their presidential candidates from New York and have had them beaten every time.

Senator Don Cameron, it is stated, will take no part in the national republican convention this time. He will not go to Chicago, and will not interfere in any way in the interest of any candidate.

The Wichita Eagle has commenced a large and handsome daily. We hope the publishers will be justified in their venture.—Kansas Chief.

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